

Three Medal Winners Are Average Yanks

By LEWIS HAWKINS

There is no more a standard formula for a hero's deed than there is for a football player. The three Congressional Medal winners from the first division of the 100th Central Postal Directory are average Yanks.

Each is a native-born American, only a short step from the melting pot. Each comes from a humble background where hard work was the necessary rule. Each is fond of athletics, but none starred in any sport.

One is a cowboy, one is a gold miner, one is a welder. Each is a different type of American, but all are average Yanks.

James P. Conner was born in 1905 in Williamsport, Pa. He was a football player in high school and college. He was a welder in the steel industry before the war. He was a member of the American Legion and the Elks Club.

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Two Puts U.S. Within Range of All Japan

By WILLIAM F. TYREE

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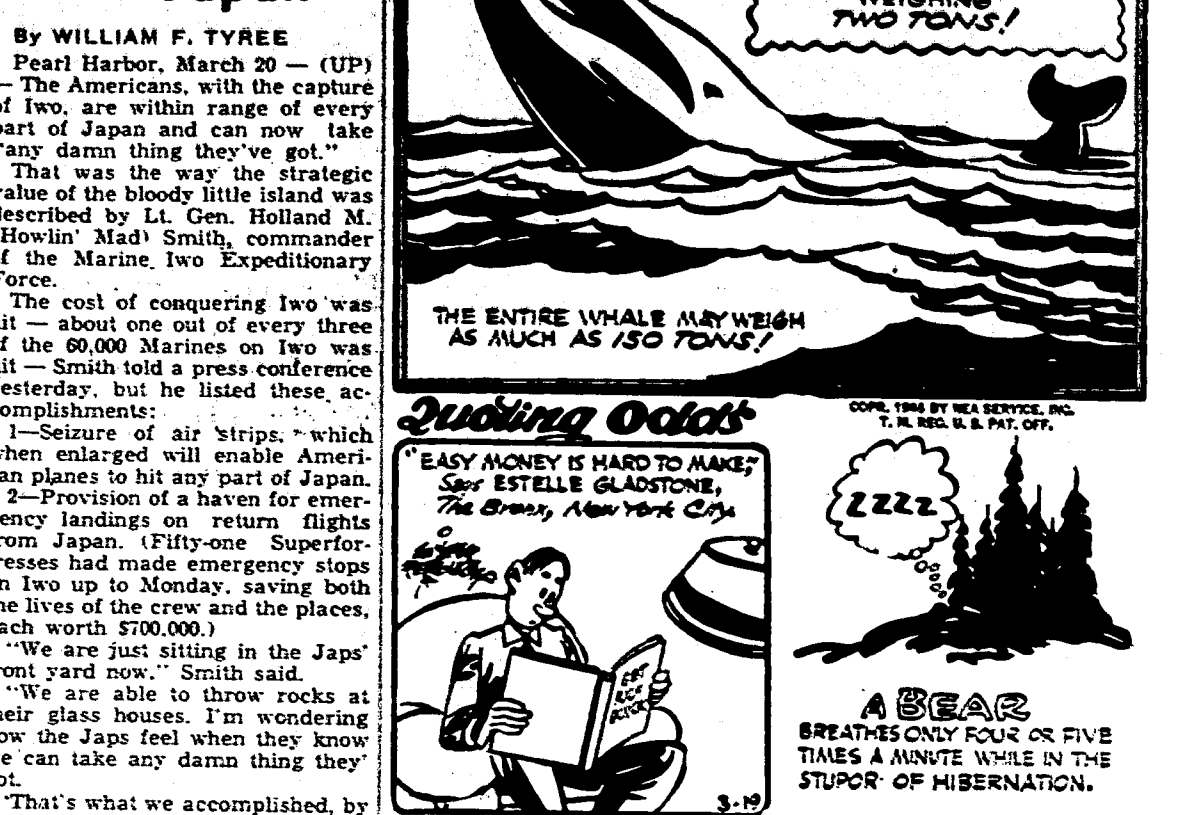
Statement of Condition of the CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK Hope, Arkansas

At the Close of Business on March 20, 1945

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$ 193,256.13
Banking House & Fixtures	10,500.00
U. S. Bonds	2,100,000.00
Other Bonds and Securities	797,131.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	7,500.00
CCC Cotton Loans	514,692.96
Cash and Exchange	963,206.26
TOTAL	4,586,286.35
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 125,000.00
Surplus	125,000.00
Undivided Profits	225,100.35
Deposits	4,111,186.00
TOTAL	4,586,286.35
Officers and Directors	
R. M. LAGNONE, President	J. D. BARLOW
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This Curious World By William Ferguson



Lend-Lease Chiefs Must Be Cautious

By LYLE C. WILSON

Washington, March 19 — (UP) — Lend-lease chiefs must be cautious in their handling of the program, according to a report from the War Relocation Authority.

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By REYNOLDS PACKARD

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Loans	\$ 199,678.52
CCC Cotton Loans and Notes	175,192.67
Furniture and Fixtures	1.00
Other Assets	280.57
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	6,000.00
Bonds and Securities	97,948.10
U. S. Government Bonds	2,454,443.28
Cash and Sight Exchange	814,609.94
TOTAL	3,748,154.08
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 100,000.00
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Reserved for Taxes	3,486,721.60
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No Agreement in Conference on Coal Wage

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Archie, the Eagle Says:



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Sub Barbel 34th to Be Lost by U.S.

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Fox-Hole Radio Sends Out a Phony 'Peace'

By FRANK FRANK DEWINE

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Baseball Is Safe or Not Says McNutt

By BUS HAM
Washington, March 22.—(P)—
War Manpower Commissioner Paul W. McNutt filed today his report on umpire's cap, watched the play of the season called baseball "safe" for the 1946 season.

In a decision that cleared one of the game's principal manpower hurdles, McNutt yesterday ruled that players may return to the diamond without restriction except as such winter war plant jobs.

The 1946 players, coaches and managers do not need a certificate of availability or referral card under the new law.

Drug Store proprietor Warren M. Cave believes he knows the most honest way to run the country.

Cave got a letter containing a nickel and a note reading "I got one too many candy bars."

It cost the donor three cents for a stamp in addition to the enclosed nickel.

ORCHIDS TO HOOKER

Miami, Fla., March 22.—(P)—
Pan American aviation reveals that the blossoming of delicate orchids blooms air-expressed yearly from Venezuela reach destinations in lower States of the United States.

WMC's Job program since baseball is their principal business and, McNutt held in effect, they have a right to work at it.

His decision, following closely President Roosevelt's recent pat on the back for the sport, virtually set the stage for the start of the fourth wartime boom.

The only thing, apparently, that could clog the works at this late date is enactment of new legislation now before Congress, which would require that all registration will be directly affected.

Such action is considered unlikely.

Most baseball league officials took at the decision. Said Will Harlow, president of the American League: "Mr. McNutt's statement is very gratifying." And Ford Frick, the national director of the A.P.A.: "It is 'agreed' thing for baseball."

Sample comments from club officials:

"Joe McCarthy, manager of the Yankees said: "It's the best news we've had this year."

Sam Bredson, Cardinals — "It clears up a middle situation."

Branche Rickey of Brooklyn struck a mildly dubious note, saying: "The only club who only has one man in 4-F. Players not in 4-F who quit are going to be sent home will be placed in 1-A."

Saddest case was the Cards'. The ruling means that pitcher Lefty Catcher Walker County will leave outfielder Johnny Dill while catcher Walter Cope will stay accepted but not yet called. All three had winter war plant jobs.

Cherokees Living

Mountain reservation, number about 3,200 and have sent 200 men and women into the armed services.

The tribe tried to buy \$150,000 worth of goods, but inasmuch as the funds are already on deposit with the U.S. Treasury, the Bureau of Indian Affairs wouldn't approve the purchase.

As individuals, however, the tribesmen buy war bonds and stamps regularly from Amelia Washington Post Office.

Many Indians buying bonds can't speak English but they walk miles over the mountains to make their purchases.

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 <p>1. Late last year, Joe Jones (not his real name) planned a 2-weeks vacation, mostly fishing. He figured about \$65 would see him through nicely.</p>	 <p>2. But Joe didn't figure the cost of his commute. He left it smoldering. And within an hour a forest fire was roaring out of control.</p>	<p>3. They tell me the ball was Americans paid for Joe's little (out was \$20,384 for timber alone. This didn't begin to pay for wasted man-hours. Or irrigation water or potential hydroelectric power that was lost. And it couldn't put Joe's pet fishing ground back the way it was—not in Joe's lifetime.</p>
 <p>4. Curious thing. Joe didn't mean to start a fire. Apparently somebody else does. But each year, we have 210,000 woods and brush and forest fires. Each year they burn over 31 million acres; destroy 3 billion feet of timber; cripple watersheds on which agriculture and industry depend.</p>	 <p>5. Nine out of 10 of these fires are started by good citizens like Joe, or you. Through common carelessness—dropping cigarettes and matches that are "lipped," neglected campfires, land-clearing fires that "get away."</p>	 <p>6. We can't let this happen this year! This year, it takes one hour to police our forests. First fires. We need every man to protect the wild wood, water, and game our forests produce. All it takes is thoughtfulness.</p>

1. **CRUSH** OUT your cigarette, your pipe, your pipe case.

2. **BREAK** your match in two, then pinch till it's dead.

3. **DROWN** your campfire, then stir and add more water before you leave.

4. **ASK ABOUT THE LAW**—and a permit—if you must burn; then follow safe rules and kill every spark.

5. **ALWAYS BE CAREFUL.** An extra minute of precaution may save vital watershed and a hundred years of forest growth.

THIS IS AN EMERGENCY!

Something's got to be done **right now** about brush and woods and forest fires in America. We lose enormous losses—in watershed, timber, water power, and manpower—unless you who might start fire fires are extra careful. So please read these rules. Please memorize them. Remember that this year, with so many men away there may be **GREATER DANGER THAN EVER** to America's woodlands and forests.

Prevent Forest Fires

GREATER DANGER THAN EVER!

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